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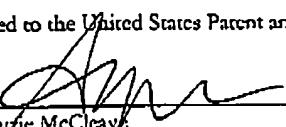
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Dear Sir:

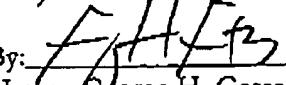
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is respectfully requested that a two-month extension of time be granted in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action mailed April 15, 2004, said period of response being extended from June 15, 2004 to August 15, 2004.

Please charge the required extension fee in the amount of \$420.00 for a large entity to Deposit Account No. 50-1673 of NCR Corporation.

Respectfully submitted,

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